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OSCAR W. UNDERWOOD.

Laying aside the heavy and thankcrats in Congress keep, as a majority, wood has been visiting Richmond during the Christmas holidays. Last night be was a guest of honor at a large enough to meet and hear him gained a clear and lasting impression of the good sense and tact that have com-

No party is weak that can produce uch men, and even in its days of party has never been a dying organi-Democratic party is dead." "I know it." or so regularly, but somehow it manand powerful modern parties which think they have killed it."

And the reason of the indestructible of the Democratic party l'es in the fact that it is at heart a party protest and of liberty. Unjust taxation, the denial of civil rights, corjudges, bruta! administrators, are some of the causes as old as civilization itself that have bred democracy in every age. In America we have not lacked for such causes or for the tariff Mr. Underwood has thoroughly and effectually apprehended the chief source of that discrimination and injustice that have bred and are still As he has said on the floor of Conand in his public speeches, the can party is nothing but high-handed under the guise of law. The the tariff is that it helps labor. Mr. been no attempt on the part of the manufacturer to give labor its share of the benefits derived from the tariff. They have kept all the profits for

will not let us clothe ourselves everything that the Republican party protect for the benefit of its fathe actual reduction of the necessities has a Republican tariff, legislation. To Mr. may be written; Enderwood more than to any other living American are the people indebt. The brave old oak has bowed its head ed for the successful and sagacious fight by the Democrats against the oul and cotton schedules in the last

had not been sufficiently considered. back to President Taft and compel his

fawned upon the poor; he has not helped to plunder the ware-carner in order to catch the vote of the camp ferine in 1853, to surrender who followers, and in that long carnival to the Emperor of the French, who of predatory plutocracy that came in subsequently coded it to Emmanuel I., with McKinley and Hanna in 1836, and following Sadown in 1866, which and reached high water mark in the wrested from Austria her old German Payne-Aldrich bill under President begomeny and paramountey, and made Taft, he has not despaired of the re- Prussia the head of the German conpublic. Calmness and courage and federation, while at the same time good temper and faith in the people Austria was forced to stand wholly when there seemed least ground for Northern Italy Present the same time. trusting them, and steady and wise himself confronted with a problem of efforts for bettering conditions-these internal reconstruction such as few

shoulders above all other men who are festing themselves in every quarter of in the directory, is coming to the considered for the Democratic nomi- his dominions, the most polyglottic front more than ever. One of the first nation excepting only Harmon and and polyethnic country on the face of Wilson, It is said that Alabams is too the globe, except India, and with Hun- Mark Smith. The Smith family is alfar South for one of her sons to be garian aspirations for the return of ready represented in the upper house successful in a national election. But the order ere the fatal day at Monatz, far in excess of its numerical promi-Alabama is a part of the nation, and that State has shown that she can tered down the blood-stained bulwark Smiths in the Senate, There are Mark; produce gone who are fit to rank in of Christianity, and the Golden Hull from Arizona, William Alden, of Mich. Walked up an' introduced itself,

The Cimes Blanch | capacity, in service and in patriotism, | became a mockery, the task was that man is Oscar W. Underwood.

An interesting and suggestive case Louis, Missouri, recently. The juryentire meaning of the phrase-it is monarchical inheritance, through the stated, refused to accept a verdict dicpugnant to their consciences and not them. The court held them for four days in an effort to coerce them, but for Hungary by restoring the Hunwas recovered as they agreed upon it. The verdict seems to have been so far in accordance with the evidence, if not much he was chagrined at the jury's obstinacy, could not, or, at least, did not, venture to set it aside

The Brooklyn Eagle, in discussing the case, remarks that too many judges in some of the States seem to lose sight of the fact of the coequal-

Angle-Saxon compurgation, from which it evolved, a court cannot be too zealcognition of their rights and provinc and the solemn obligation that rests

ON THE EVE OF PASSING.

The head on which long has pressed so heavily the triply merged crown of Wenceslaus, St. Stephen and the Haps burgs, is bending low. Despite the official reports that seek to minimize the seriousness of his condition, it is ob-Austria-Hungary is on the eve of pass ing-that the shadows of the sables mortality are closing around him. When death shall have sealed the record it will be that of one of the greatpretense when he said: "There has length of days, but in achievementsest of modern monarchs, not only to in history-making. Francis Joseph's reign of over three-score years has reflected little of military glory or his domains, Judged by that standard, the subjugation of Hungary in 1848. with the aid of Russia, who then paid in wool. We pay exorbitant prices for back the debt of the partition of Poland, and the partial and temporary success suit of this policy has been to destroy seething with revolution, his has been very prosperity the Republicans a minor soldierly figure. War's rude pretended to preserve. It has taken alarums have trumpeted little renown high prices and lessened purchasing for him; his sceptre has been no vicfactors mean in the loss of luxury or light has beat upon his throne or life, to teach the American voters fame, yet, for all that, when his hour reflected dazzling deeds of ome little of the folly and faisity of shall have struck, in truth of him it

A victim to the blast.

Death holds within its conquering arms.

The conqueror at last.

military disaster and humiliation, those bills on the ground that they Francis Joseph has been a great monthat Mr. Underwood will send them of the imperial honors, upon the abdication of his uncle. Ferdinand L, a signature without even remarking that it was the President and not himself and amid the throes of the Magyar who was insufficiently informed tast revolt for independence, Francis Joseph. reared as he had been in the Metter It is not for his service alone in the Democratic Congress of last seasion, when he occupied the position of leader of the Democratic ride with such signal and conspicuous acility, that he drew down on his head the impotent wrath of William Jennings impotent wrath of William Jennings more he signally illustrated that peace Bryan, that Mr. Underwood deserves light its victories no less than war; Rather, we applaud and commend tunist in the highest and best sense his public action because he has made of the term; he has been his own no demagogic appeal; he has not Bismarck, his own Pitt, for these as truckled to the rich; he has not royal conductors Austria-Hongary has

Northern Italy, Francis Joseph found see some of the characteristics that rulers ever had to face. Out of this the Hon. Occar W. Underwood has shown in an unusual and impressive shown in an unusual and impressive safety. With territory reduced; with getting into the position of small new and formicable powers on either competitors. The grand old name, That is why he stands head and side, with racial antagonisms mani- which always holds the post of honor

of a statesman of the broadest and most astute type.

Francis Joseph measured to the height of the argument of the conditions. Gradually, and within the lines of conflict between judge and jury de-veloped in the Circuit Court of St. carded the unworkable and addressed carded the unworkable and addressed himself to workable methods of con-"twelve good men and true," in the solidating the several parts of his development of mutual interests and loyalty. Out of the darkness of that darkest of days for modern Austria, Sadowa, he caused to shine a new star himself to be crowned King of the Magyars, thus founding the Dual Monarchy. As a consequence of this conciliatory and concessional policy, velopment, his liberalism in the matter of the extension of the franchise, the empire is, as a whole, on a firmer foundation to-day than it has been since 1848, and the Emperor-King is the most beloved ruler in all Europe.

louges in some of the States seem to lose sight of the fact of the cequality of the court and the jury as embraced in the principic that jurors are as absolute in passing on the facts as the judge is an passing on the facts as the judge is an passing on the facts as the judge is an passing on the facts as the judge is an passing on the facts as the judge is an passing on the law These judges, it continues, seek to concrete judges, it continues, seek to concrete judges in coercion or dictation in second vision accorded Vienna in composing the seen in his forming an alliance desceration of Christmas by the firing of cannonrackers and building bonaires. All agree that it is a nice autonomy within their own field of facts. Were there less of this, the facts. Were there less of the dignity of jurors and their autonomy within their own field of professional juryism, since full accept.

Also, we add, there would be less of professional juryism, since full accept in grident personsibility to seciety he is under twould tend to awaken the self-respecting in grident personsibility to seciety he is under twould tend to awaken the self-respecting in grident personsibility to seciety he is under twould tend to awaken the self-respecting in grident persons being the holiwark of right and justice which has been the concept of the institution since the time of the institution since th

been enough to crush all spirit and

Required less coaching than men.
Brought peace throughout the city.
Outvoted men in nearly all precincts.
Worked for candidates more enthusiastically than men.
Converted many former foes to their

If the observations of the Tribune correspondent are generally correctand there is no reason to believe that men is notable. The San Francisco Call says that these women "stood the test nobly," and adds that they "voted with discrimination and with sound reason for every ballot."

A GRAND OLD NAME.

two Senators from Arizona will be

igan; John Walter, of Maryland; Hoke, of Georgia-and here let us pause everentially before uttering his name -Ellison Durant, of South Carolina, whose garden name is "Jaybird." Were there no other Smith in the Sen-ate than Ellison Durant, the grand old name would still hold its own. The Smiths will cast more than 5 per cent of the votes of the entire body. Four of them are true to family traditions in being Democrats. Some day, percultivation of incentive to personal haps, we shall have a President named Smith. It has always been our belief that Christopher Columbus's motherin-law's name was Smith before she was married.

> confirmed, that Christmas was celebrated in Texas.

No, dear "Subscriber," you will hard ly be able to pawn those penwipers your wife's third cousins sent you for

Voice of the People

Abe Martin



HAVE YOU EVER NOTICED THIS PECULIAR FACT ABOUT MURDER CASES?

By John T. McCutcheon.



"Not a soul in sight. I shall never be detected." (X Represents scene of prospective crime.)



La Marquise de Fontenoy

Since the beginning of the waxen tounth

The stories to the effect that the Reverend Clarence V. T. Richeson, now under Indictment at Boston, Mass. for the murder of his fiancee, Avis Linnel, had performed a ceremony of marriage, uniting himself in matrimony, with the ill-fated girl, so as to quiet her scruples, serves to recall a notable trial which took place some fifty years ago or more in the court of Queen's Brichest Carlot of the structure of the court of Queen's Brichest Carlot of the structure of the court of Queen's Brichest Carlot of the structure of the court of Queen's Brichest Carlot of the structure of the case arose of the court of the structure of the

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